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Applicant : Dr. Joachim GRABSCHEID et al.

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For : APPLICATION DEVICE

**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.313(c)(2)
REQUESTING WITHDRAWAL OF THE APPLICATION FROM ISSUE**

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir :

This is a Request for Withdrawal from Issue of the above-identified application.

The issue fee was paid on August 1, 2003. Applicant's representative received a copy of the foreign Search Report dated November 21, 2003 subsequent to payment of the issue fee. In order to have the prior art cited in the Search Report considered, a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 is being filed concurrently herewith, as is an IDS making the Search Report and the references cited therein of record.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.114(a)(1), grant of this petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.313 (c)(2) is respectfully requested.

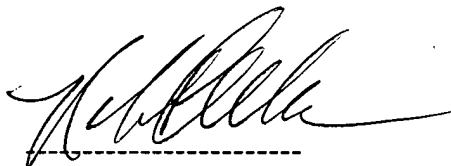
Please find enclosed herewith the \$130 petition fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(h).

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees and refund excess fees concerning the application to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments about the above, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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